

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF NORWALK
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
October 3, 2016**

Vice Chair Sandoval called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 12700 Norwalk Boulevard, Norwalk, California. Responding to roll call were, Vice Chair Sandoval, Commissioner McIntosh, and Commissioner Cleary. Also in attendance were Carlos Ramos, Director of Public Safety; Nicole Amescua, Management Analyst; Mike Inge, Lieutenant, Norwalk Station; and Norma Cruz, Office Assistant II.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chair Sandoval called for approval of the minutes from the Public Safety Commission meeting held on June 6, 2016. Commissioner Cleary motioned for approval, with Commissioner McIntosh seconding the motion.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Vice Chair Sandoval, Commissioner McIntosh, and Commissioner Cleary

NOES:

ABSENT:

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION ANNUAL REORGANIZATION

Nominations for Chair of the Public Safety Commission were opened by Vice Chair Sandoval. Commissioner McIntosh nominated Vice Chair Sandoval as Chair of the Commission. Commissioner Cleary seconded the nomination.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Vice Chair Sandoval, Commissioner McIntosh, and Commissioner Cleary

NOES:

ABSENT:

Chair Sandoval nominated Commissioner Cleary as Vice Chair of the Commission. Commissioner McIntosh seconded the nomination.

MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Chair Sandoval, Commissioner McIntosh, and Commissioner Cleary

NOES:

ABSENT:

NEW BUSINESS

Application for Preferential Parking Zone: Cresson Street between Arlee Avenue and Pioneer Boulevard

Ms. Amescua gave a brief report on Preferential Parking application petition. Residents from Cresson Street and Pioneer Boulevard expressed concerns resulting from non-residents parking on their street; trash and paraphernalia dumped on the street, people loitering cars late at night, and concerns about stolen vehicles. A resident from Arlee Avenue opposed to the petition, she is concerned the problem is only going to move to Arlee Avenue and impact parking on said street.

Commissioner McIntosh moved and Vice Chair Cleary seconded to approve the Preferential Parking Application.

MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Chair Sandoval, Vice Chair Cleary and Commissioner McIntosh

NOES:

ABSENT:

Application for Preferential Parking Zone: Lyndora Street between Paddison Avenue and Zeus Avenue

Ms. Amescua gave a brief report on preferential parking application. The Commission had some questions to ask related to the petition, but there was no one representing to give their testimony. Commissioner McIntosh moved to table the preferential parking request to next month's meeting, when an applicant is able to attend the meeting, Chair Sandoval seconded the motion with the condition to deny the request if no one attends the scheduled meeting to present testimony.

MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Chair Sandoval, Vice Chair Cleary and Commissioner McIntosh

NOES:

ABSENT:

Application for Preferential Parking Zone: Halcourt Avenue between Foster Road and Adoree Street

Ms. Amescua gave a brief report on Preferential Parking application petition. Residents expressed their concerns about the issues they are experiencing. Residents stated the petition was submitted to counteract the recently implemented four-hour parking restriction. Residents said the restriction is impacting their way of life by not being able to park in front of their house because they have to move the vehicles every four hours.

Per Commissioner McIntosh's request, Ms. Amescua explained to the residents the process of getting the vehicle permits and the pricing, if the petition is approved. Commissioner McIntosh asked staff if Metro had been contacted to try to resolve the parking overflow. Mr. Ramos indicated they have contacted representatives of the Metro station and said that Caltrans has no future plans to expand parking for the metro commuters.

Commissioner McIntosh moved and Vice Chair Cleary seconded to approve the Preferential Parking Application.

MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Chair Sandoval, Vice Chair Cleary and Commissioner McIntosh

NOES:

ABSENT:

Application for Preferential Parking Zone: Lefloss Avenue between Foster Road and Adoree Street

Ms. Amescua gave a brief report on Preferential Parking application petition. Several residents expressed their concern about parking issues in the area; metro commuters parking on the residential area, homes being burglarized, and disappointment with having to move their vehicles every four hours.

Commissioner McIntosh moved and Vice Chair Cleary seconded to approve the Preferential Parking Application.

MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Chair Sandoval, Vice Chair Cleary and Commissioner McIntosh

NOES:

ABSENT:

Application for Preferential Parking Zone: Lyndora Street between Pecos Avenue and Studebaker Road

Ms. Amescua gave a brief report regarding this Preferential Parking application. Several residents went to the podium to express their concern about parking issues in the area. Residents said that the parking situation did not improve with the installation of a four-hour parking restriction. Residents said they are still being impacted by people who are working at the convalescent home down the street. Employees park in the morning and they return to move the vehicle to the other side of the street to avoid a citation. Residents were also concern about having to move their vehicles every four hours, trash being disposed of on the street, and vehicles parking on Studebaker too close to the end of the street obstructing view of traffic. Commissioner McIntosh said she is familiar with the parking problem from the convalescent home and asked staff if anyone

from the city would be able to speak to the pastor of the church Community Chapel World to try to see if they would work with the convalescent home and let them park there to avoid parking on the residential area. Mr. Ramos said that there has to be a mutual agreement between both entities.

Being no more discussions, Commissioner McIntosh moved and Vice Chair Cleary seconded to approve the Preferential Parking Application.

MOTION PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Chair Sandoval, Vice Chair Cleary and Commissioner McIntosh

NOES:

ABSENT:

Commissioner Business Cards

Mr. Ramos presented to the Commission the business card request letters. He stated that the business cards expire at the end of their respective terms. Commissioner McIntosh requested 100 business cards, Vice Chair Cleary requested 50 business cards and Chair Sandoval declined to receive any business cards.

STAFF COMMENTS

Ms. Amescua presented the calendar for October 2016. There was no further comments from the Commission.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner McIntosh asked if Caltrans can possibly utilize the empty lot located on the North West corner of Studebaker Road and Imperial Highway. Ms. Amescua indicated that the request had already been brought up to Caltrans as an option.

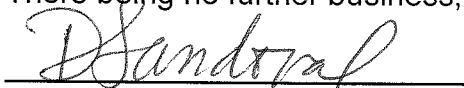
Commissioner McIntosh thanked Mr. Ramos for talking to Caltrans about removing the piles of cement from behind her house; but they had now been moved behind her next door neighbor. Commissioner McIntosh said the piles of cement allow transients to go in and out of the empty lots demolished by Caltrans.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Sandoval adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.



Dora Sandoval

Chair, Public Safety Commission